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## FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Application Number   | 10/666,324         |
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| Art Unit             | 2838               |
| Attorney Docket No.  | ATM-228            |

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|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                  | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)    | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$)         | Small Entity Fee (\$) |                |
| Utility          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 200              | 100                   |                |
| Design           | 200         | 100                   | 100         | 50                    | 130              | 65                    |                |
| Plant            | 200         | 100                   | 300         | 150                   | 160              | 80                    |                |
| Reissue          | 300         | 150                   | 500         | 250                   | 600              | 300                   |                |
| Provisional      | 200         | 100                   | 0           | 0                     | 0                | 0                     |                |

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|---|----------|-----------------------|
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| Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent | 200      | 100                   |
| Multiple dependent claims   | 360      | 180                   |

| Total Claims  | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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PATENT APPLICATION

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For: DUAL STAGE VOLTAGE REGULATION CIRCUIT

Amendment after Final Rejection

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A Final Office action for the above-referenced application was mailed on December 16, 2005. In view of the following amendments and remarks, a Notice of Allowance is requested.

**Amendments** to the claims is on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.

A **Conclusion** is on page 7.